

improve its programs for nuclear fuel cycle facilities. This is described in SECY-99-188 titled, Evaluation and Proposed Revision of the Nuclear Fuel Cycle Facility Safety Inspection Program. SECY-99-188 is available in the Public Document Room and on the NRC Web Page at <http://www.nrc.gov/NRC/COMMISSION/SECYS/index.html>.

PURPOSE: To explain the planned revision of the fuel cycle safety inspection program and obtain stakeholder's views. The baseline safety inspection program applies to nuclear fuel cycle facilities regulated under 10 CFR parts 40, 70 and 76. The facilities currently include gaseous diffusion plants, highly enriched uranium fuel fabrication facilities, low-enriched uranium fuel fabrication facilities, and a uranium hexafluoride (UF₆) production facility. These facilities possess large quantities of materials that are potentially hazardous (i.e., radioactive, toxic, and/or flammable) to the workers, public, or environment. In revising the inspection program, the goals are to have an inspection program that: (1) Provides earlier and more objective indications of acceptable and changing safety performance, (2) increases stakeholder confidence in the NRC, and (3) increases regulatory effectiveness and efficiency. In this regard, the NRC desires the revised inspection program to be more risk-informed and performance-based and more focused on significant risks. Where practicable, the program will use more objective safety performance indicators (PIs) with accompanying performance thresholds.

DATES: This meeting is scheduled for Thursday, September 16, 1999, from 9 am to 4 pm and is open to the public.

ADDRESSES: NRC's Commissioner's Hearing Room, 1st Floor, One White Flint North, 11555 Rockville Pike, Rockville, Maryland. Visitor parking around the NRC building is limited; however, the meeting site is located adjacent to the White Flint Station on the Metro Red Line.

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Dated at Rockville, Maryland this 2nd day of September, 1999.

For the Nuclear Regulatory Commission.

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NUCLEAR REGULATORY COMMISSION

Advisory Committee on Reactor Safeguards Subcommittee Meeting on Planning and Procedures; Notice of Meeting

The ACRS Subcommittee on Planning and Procedures will hold a meeting on September 29, 1999, Room T-2B1, 11545 Rockville Pike, Rockville, Maryland.

The entire meeting will be open to public attendance, with the exception of a portion that may be closed pursuant to 5 U.S.C. 552b(c)(2) and (6) to discuss organizational and personnel matters that relate solely to internal personnel rules and practices of ACRS, and information the release of which would constitute a clearly unwarranted invasion of personal privacy.

The agenda for the subject meeting shall be as follows:

Wednesday, September 29, 1999—1 p.m. until the conclusion of business

The Subcommittee will discuss proposed ACRS activities and related matters. It may also discuss the status of appointment of a new member to the ACRS. The purpose of this meeting is to gather information, analyze relevant issues and facts, and to formulate proposed positions and actions, as appropriate, for deliberation by the full Committee.

Oral statements may be presented by members of the public with the concurrence of the Subcommittee Chairman; written statements will be accepted and made available to the Committee. Electronic recordings will be permitted only during those portions of the meeting that are open to the public, and questions may be asked only by members of the Subcommittee, its consultants, and staff. Persons desiring to make oral statements should notify the cognizant ACRS staff person named below five days prior to the meeting, if possible, so that appropriate arrangements can be made.

Further information regarding topics to be discussed, the scheduling of sessions open to the public, whether the meeting has been canceled or rescheduled, the Chairman's ruling on requests for the opportunity to present oral statements, and the time allotted therefor can be obtained by contacting the cognizant ACRS staff person, Dr. John T. Larkins (telephone: 301/415-7360) between 7:30 a.m. and 4:15 p.m. (EDT). Persons planning to attend this meeting are urged to contact the above named individual one or two working days prior to the meeting to be advised

of any changes in schedule, etc., that may have occurred.

Dated: September 7, 1999.

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Associate Director for Technical Support, ACRS/ACNW.

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NUCLEAR REGULATORY COMMISSION

Sunshine Act Meeting

AGENCY HOLDING THE MEETING: Nuclear Regulatory Commission.

DATES: Weeks of September 13, 20, 27, October 4, and October 18, 1999.

PLACE: Commissioners' Conference Room, 11555 Rockville Pike, Rockville, Maryland.

STATUS: Public and Closed.

MATTERS TO BE CONSIDERED:

Week of September 13

There are no meetings scheduled for the Week of September 13.

Week of September 20—Tentative

Tuesday, September 21

9:25 a.m.

Affirmation Session (Public Meeting) (if needed).

9:30 a.m.

Briefing by DOE on Draft Environmental Impact Statement (DEIS) for a Proposed HLW Geologic Repository (Public Meeting).

Wednesday, September 22

9:00 a.m.

Meeting on Center for Strategic and International Studies Report, "The Regulatory Process for Nuclear Power Reactors—a Review" (Public Meeting).

Week of September 27—Tentative

There are no meetings scheduled for the Week of September 27.

Week of October 4—Tentative

There are no meetings scheduled for the Week of October 4.

Week of October 18—Tentative

Thursday, October 21

9:30 a.m.

Briefing on Part 35—Rule on Medical Use of Byproduct Material (Contact: Cathy Haney, 301-415-6825) (SECY-99-201, *Draft Final Rule—10 CFR Part 35, Medical Use of Byproduct Material*, is available in the NRC Public Document Room or